

Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/714,460	SMEDT ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Gordon J. Stock	2877	

All Participants:

Status of Application: after nonfinal

(1) Gordon J. Stock.

(3) _____

(2) Attorney Michael Stallman.

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Date of Interview: 6 December 2006

Time: 3:20pm

Type of Interview:

☒ Telephonic

☐ Video Conference

☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

Claims discussed:

1,6-8,13,22

Prior art documents discussed:

Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.

☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.


(Examiner/SPE Signature)

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: An Examiner's Amendment was discussed to correct claims 1, 6, 8, 13, 22 for lack of antecedent objections, indefiniteness, grammatical corrections, and punctuation corrections. Specifically, claim 1 will be amended to correct lack of antecedent basis for 'the upper layer' of line 4, 'the lower layer' of line 6, and to correct the indefiniteness of 'the measurment' of line 13. Claim 6 will be amended to correct a grammatical error. Claim 7 will be amended to clarify the 'said amount' in order to overcome any possible rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a). Claim 8 will be amended to correct a grammatical mistake; Claims 13 and claims 22 will be amended to correct the indefiniteness of the measurement within the using step and both claims will end in a period. In addition, it was determined that the 'using step' of claim 22 should have been underlined in the amendment of November 13, 2006. Examiner will amend claim 22 to emphasize the amendment to the claim with the addition of the 'using step' as well as incorporating 'total overlay' into the step to make 'the measurement' definite. Please see Examiner's Amendment attached.